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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Douglas QUONG

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56 and § 1.97-98, copies of the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are enclosed for consideration by the Examiner.

Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention co-pending patent applications Serial No. 09/426,140 and Serial No. 09/425,761, both of which were filed on even date with the present application, all filed October 22, 1999.

Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 609, Applicants further request that a copy of the Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

Respectfully Submitted,

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